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PETERSBURG, *April* 20.

THE Winter, which has been so mild in almost all the North, appeared with the greatest Rigour in the Climates near the Pole, particularly in Norway and Lapland; but in Siberia, it was so severe that the like was never observed before. The 20th of December was the most remarkable: At four in the Morning the Mercury was congealed, as well in the Thermometers as Barometers, it was at the same Time clotted int he Tube of the Barometer; at eleven it resumed its Fluidity, at one in the Afternoon it was twenty nine Inches seven Lines, and at nine o'Clock at twenty nine Inches English Measure. The Liquor was congealed the same Day, at four in the Morning, at 231 Degrees in De Lisle's Thermometer, or thirty four Degrees under the congealing Point of that of Reaumur. Towards eleven in the Morning, when the Liquor had turned to its fluid State, it returned entirely into the Bewl; at one in the Afternoon it remounted the Tube, to the 254th or 50th Degree. Finally, towards the Evening, the Cold was so greatly diminished that at four o'Clock the Liquor had mounted to the 194th or 24th Degree.

GENOA, *April* 12. They write from Madrid, that the Court has sent Orders to the Commandant of Carthagena to fit out the Monarch, the St. John Baptist, and the Triumphant, of 70 Guns each; and that a Body of between 15 and 20,000 Men is to advance towards the Provinces of Murcia. Those Advices add, that 4000 Tents are to be sent to Barcelona, for the Use of those Troops.

April 22. A French Tartane, which arrived yesterday, has brought an Order for the Consul of that Nation to stop all the French Seamen in this Port, and send them to Toulon, to serve on Board the Fleet fitting out there. The Captain of this Tartane is charged with the same Orders for the French Consuls at all the Ports of the Mediterranean.

LISBON, *April* 13. About five o'Clock yesterday Morning several Shocks of an Earthquake were felt here. The Inhabitants were terribly alarmed, and most of them quitted their Houses and fled into the Fields. Providentially, these Shocks have been attended with no other Consequence than that of spreading a great Consternation among the People.

TANGIER, *April* 14. On Monday last, between five and six in the Morning, we were alarmed by a violent Shock of an Earthquake, which lasted about two Minutes, and has destroyed 98 Houses, and shaken the Town so much that the remaining Houses must be rebuilt. We hear of only three Lives lost; but Numbers of the Inhabitants have been dragged from under the Ruins, very much bruised. Yesterday, about Half an Hour after eleven, we felt another Shock, though not so violent as the former.

LEGHORN, *April* 16. The Captain of a French Vessel lately arrived here says that he was obliged to sail from Marseilles in great Haste, by Reason that on the Day of his Departure they began taking, without Regard to Persons, the Sailors from on Board all the Merchant Ships there, in Order to send them to Toulon, to man the thirteen Ships of War and six Frigates fitting out at that Port.

MADRID, *April* 19. On the 13th Instant, at about five o'Clock in the Morning, two violent Shocks of an Earthquake were felt here, which lasted for the Space of a Minute, but happily did no material Damage. The same Shock was felt at Cadiz, but we do not find that the Sea was affected thereby.

PARIS, *May* 10. There is now depending, before the Superiour Council of Clermont, a Cause not a little diverting, though of a very singular Nature. A Person travelling in that Part of the Country took up his Lodging at an Inn, where he was found next Morning senseless, stiff, and cold; and, in short, in such a State as permitted not the least Doubt of his being dead. The Parson of the Place, being informed of the Affair, went to the Inn, and sent for a Notary to take an Inventory of the Traveller's Effects. A Hundred Louisd'ors were found in his Portmanteau, which the Notary deposited in the Parson's Hands. The latter thought the Money could not be put to a better Use than expending it on the Stranger's Funeral Obsequies: Accordingly, he made Preparations for a grand Burial,' to which he invited all the Priests of the neighbouring Villages, forgetting not the Opportunity to regale them, and consequently ordering a sumptuous Entertainment; but just as they were going to proceed to the Ceremony the supposed dead Man showed Signs of Life, and soon recovered from his Trance, when the first Words he uttered were to ask for his Portmanteau. The astonished Parson related to him what had passed; but the Man, regardless of the Honour which the good Priest intended to have paid to his Memory, and refusing to partake of the Feast which was prepared, insisted upon having his Money. The Parson told him it had been employed on his Account, and that it was impossible for him to return it. This odd Adventure hath occasioned a Lawsuit, the Decision of which is impatiently expected.

The Count D'Estaing is continually in this City, and it is not known when he will set off for Toulon; at which Place, however, they are still very busy in equipping the Fleet, but are as yet uncertain as to its Destination.

LONDON, *April* 29.

IT is said that the Island of St. Vincent is to be established a separate Government from that of the Grenades, and that his Excellency General Dalrymple, the Conqueror, is to be appointed Governour; the brave Major Rogers, Lieutenant Governour, and Superintendent of India or Caraib Affairs; and the Honourable Otis Robinson, Esquire, Chief Justice and Secretary of the said Island; and all of them to have good Salaries paid from England.

A Letter from Hamburg, dated April 4th, informs us that a Person named Mutterspach, a Clerk in an Office in that City, aged about twenty Years, lately fell into a profound Sleep, and that the Gentlemen of the Faculty there had caused him to be bled several Times in the Arms, and used every other Method they could devise to awake him, but without Success; but that, after sleeping for 32 Days, he awaked of himself the 11th of March. On Examination, his Health was found to be no Way impaired; it was thought proper, however, not to suffer him to go out, nor to take what Quantity of Nourishment he chose, as he was troubled with an insatiable Hunger. A like Accident happened to him some Years since, but his Sleep then lasted only three Days.

May 1. Should England be engaged once more in the Broils on the Continent, the Leaders of the Cabinet have very lately declared that not a single English Regiment shall be sent to Germany, as Troops can be hired from the German Princes, and supported for one Half of the Expense; whilst ours will be employed at the same Time to more useful and advantageous Purposes, in another Part of the World. *Experientia docet.*

The Dutchess of Glocester has discharged two of her Royal Husband's favourite Domesticks, because they were overheard pitying their Master for leading such a tiresome Life with this truly dignified Lady. It seems that Rage sometimes transports her to such a Height of Fury, that poor Spouse is obliged to quit the House, which he actually did last Week, and would not return till Madam wrote a Letter of Apology.

The most extraordinary Affair happened at six o'Clock on Wednesday Morning in Piccadilly, perhaps, that was ever heard of. A Man disordered in his Senses, with only his Shirt on, booted and spurred, jumped out of a two Pair of Stairs Window into the Street, without even falling down, or in the least hurting himself, but immediately walked up the Street toward the Haymarket, declaring, "that he had been ill used, and that before he returned from Sir John it should be settled."

This Day two Women drank Geneva at the Ship in Bell Yard, Temple Bar; when, after drinking three Quarterns each, the victorious Heroine tossed off the fourth, and immediately dropped down dead.

On Monday last was killed at Sittingbourn, near Canterbury, the surprising large Ox which has for some Time attracted the Attention of the Publick. It is supposed, by the best Judges, that the Weight of it is about 95 Score. The Hide is bought by a Coachmaker, and measures between each Extreme 18 Feet, the Width 9 Feet 11 Inches and a Half, and the Weight of it 170lb. This extraordinary Creature measured on the Breast, when alive, 3 Feet 2 Inches, and is allowed not only to be the largest but the handsomest and finest proportioned Creature ever seen in this Kingdom; and from the Appearance and delicate Colour of the Meat, it is likely to be as excellent to the Taste as it was wonderful to behold. The Heart weighed 11 lb. and the Fat is computed at 15 Score. Before he was killed he was turned loose into a large Yard, to satisfy the Curiosity of a very great Concourse of Spectators, who were all astonished at his amazing Bulk. He was 8 Years old, and has been 3 Years in fattening.

Extract of a Letter from Gibraltar, *April* 4.

"The great Number of Ships which the Emperour of Morocco, and the respective States of Barbary, are now fitting out, are most certainly designed to assist the Grand Seignior. These Preparations, added to those making by the different States of Europe, seem to indicate that the Mediterranean Sea will soon become the grand Theatre of naval War. The Dey and Regency of Algiers have fitted a stronger Fleet than any of the other Powers, having no less than 30 Ships from 80 to 50 Guns each."

The Officers of the Troops at St. Vincent's have sent over a Petition to his Majesty, setting forth the great Expenses they have been at during the late Expedition, and the Danger they were exposed to by the Unwholesomness of the Climate; and therefore praying, that when the newly acquired Lands are to be sold, or given away, they may have the Offer of Part of them.

Friday their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Dutchess of Cumberland took an Airing in a Pheton, and called at several Cottages to inquire into the State of the Poor in the several Parishes round Windsor, when their Royal Highnesses humanely contributed to the Relief of such industrious Labourers as are unable, through the high Price of Provisions, to provide for their Families.

We hear from Chester of the following singular Circumstance which happened there, and which is known and averred by many Persons of that City. A Woman who, in the melancholy Catastrophe of the 5th of November last, had been much bruised and burnt, particularly on the Back of both Hands, and on the left Eyebrow, was discharged pretty well, after a long Confinement in the Infirmary. April 10th she was delivered of Twins, still born, the one having a Blister as large as a Pigeon's Egg on the Back of each Hand, the other a similar one over the left Eye, corresponding to the Injuries the Mother had received from the Fire, which (though she continued tolerably well for some Time after her Delivery) at length occasioned her Death the 13th of last Month.

May 5. Colonel Barré, we hear, intends bringing in a Bill for augmenting the Pay of the Army in general, which at present is so very inadequate, considering the high Price of Provisions.

It is confidently asserted, at the west End of the Town, that Lord North is greatly embarrassed to find out some Pretence for continuing Lord Stormont at the Court of France, as his Lordship has signified his Desire of being recalled, and given strong Reasons for the Necessity of his leaving France.

A Gentleman whose Situation and Connections in Life afford him an Opportunity of learning what passes in many of the Seaports of Europe, says he has lately received an Account that the Court of Spain has been for some Time withdrawing their Ships, as it were by Stealth, from every Port in Spain to Ferrol, where a very formidable Fleet may be sent to Sea at a very short Notice.

May 6. Yesterday the Upper Assembly agreed to the Report of a Bill for regulating the Importation and Exportation of Corn.

Leave is given to bring in a Bill to prevent the Imitation of Bank Notes.

A Memorial is said to be hourly expected at St. James's, from the Court of Versailles, declaratory of the real Intentions of that Court in Regard to the present War between the Turks and Russians.

By Advices from Morocco, we learn that the Emperour's Son has gone off with almost all his Father's Treasures, and had retired into the Country, at the Head of a numerous Body of Rebels; and, when the Letters came away, the Emperour was preparing to follow him with a powerful Army.

To-morrow the Earl of Sandwich, accompanied by the Earls Gower, Rochford, and Suffolk, will go to Portsmouth to view and examine the State of the Shipping there.

The Russian General Tottleben, who died lately at Warsaw, is said to have declared, just before his Death, that two Things only troubled him: The first was, that he should die in his Bed; the second, that he found he should not live to receive an Answer from the Empress his Sovereign to a Memorial which he had laid before her in Favour of the Republick of Poland.

Last Week a noble Lord discovered the most convincing Proofs of a Crim. Con. between his Lady and the Representative of a great Potentate.

The Ministry wait with Impatience the Return of Mr. Slaughter, one of his Majesty's Messengers, with a categorical Answer from the Court of Madrid relative to the great naval Armaments made in that Kingdom.

We are informed, by Letters from Paris, that the Prince of Condè hearing a Noise a few Nights since in an Apartment adjacent to his Bedchamber, rang the Bell for his Valets, who found two Rogues concealed. The Prince first interrogated them himself, and then they were conducted to the Lieutenant of the Police, who committed them to Prison. These Villains (our Correspondent says) were furnished with Instruments called *English Picklocks*, with which they could open all Sorts of Locks with the greatest Ease, and of which Experiment was made by one of the Thieves before M. de Sartine, who gave him Hopes of Pardon if he would discover all his Accomplices, who are said to be very numerous.

Extract of a Letter from Chatham, *May* 5.

"Orders are received at this Dockyard for our Artificers to work one Tide a Day extra for four Months; they accordingly began to work last Saturday.

"The Triumph and Marlborough Guardships, of 74 Guns each, are under Orders to sail from this Port to the Nore; the Wind being unfair, they were detained here for several Days past, and still remain for a fair Wind to carry them to the Nore, at which Place they are to wait till farther Orders.

"His Majesty's Ship Ramillies of 74 Guns, Invincible of 74, and Ardent of 64 Guns, which were ordered to be fitted for Guardships to lie at this Port, are now countermanded."

Orders are given for all the Officers belonging to his Majesty's Ships of War to repair to their respective Ports immediately.

When the Command of the Fleet was lately offered to Admiral Saunders, instead of cringing to the Ministry, to thank them for their intended Favour, this brave Sailor waited on the King, and told his Majesty, that "although he detested the present Ministry, that, even oppressed with Illness and Infirmities as he was, the arduous Task should be accepted, and the Service of his King and Country preferred to every other Consideration, even Life itself."

Upon the Application of Admiral Elphinstone to the Court of Petersburg, for the Payment of Wages that were due to several English Pilots and Surgeons that had served under their Command on Board the Russian Fleet in the Archipelago, the Empress has given Directions to her Minister residing here to pay whatever Sums the Admiral may draw on him for the Discharge of those Debts, as also for every Thing else that he contracted for while in the Service of Russia that remains unpaid; and several of the Pilots, or their Attornies, have been paid.

An Edict has been published at Petersburg, renewing, under the most severe Penalties, the Prohibition of sending Gold and Silver out of the Russian Empire.

It is reported that a Treaty is on Foot with the Emperour of Morocco, for ceding to France a very commodious Part on the African Coast, contiguous to Guinea.

They write from Brest, that a great Number of Galley Slaves are ordered to be shipped from different Parts of France for Port L'Orient, to be employed on the publick Works in that Province.

In Tooley Street, Southwark, live a married Couple who have five Children, and the Ages of the whole Family put together amount to no more than 47 Years and a few Days.

Extract of an authentick Letter from Petersburg, *April* 20.

"There are now fitting out for Sea, at Revel and Riga, the following Ships of War: Six from 90 to 74 Guns, ten from 74 to 60, eighteen from 60 to 40, and 24 Sail of Frigates and Sloops, besides four Bombs and two Fireships. They are to be manned with the utmost Expedition, and we hear will then be divided into four Squadrons; two of which are destined for the Mediterranean, and the other two are to remain in the Baltick. We hear that the Grand Duke will take upon himself the supreme Command of all the Navies."

Notwithstanding the Report lately propagated, that the French had laid aside their naval Preparations, we can affirm that a Squadron absolutely sailed from Brest, about the Middle of last Month, under the Command of M. de la Jonquiere, in which were the following Ships of War: Le Serieux of 66 Guns, Le Diamant 56, Le Jason 52, Le Rubis 52, and La Gloire of 44 Guns, all completely manned; and we are informed, that they are very busy at that Port, in Order to get the Remainder of the Fleet ready to put to Sea by the Beginning of next Month.

France, at any Time, by ordering a Fleet to be fitted out, can lower our Stocks six, eight, or ten per Cent. perhaps with no other Purpose than doing so, by which a French Ministry might enrich themselves; and, if the Game was frequently played, a great Deal of Money might be drawn from this Country.

By the foreign Prints it should appear that the States of France and Spain are in as great Uncertainty with Respect to a War as ourselves; or rather, probably, that we shall have no War at all. The Court of Versailles, we are told by them, is perfectly fluctuating in her Councils; and they write from Barcelona, that in Consequence of the Arrival of a Courier there, to embark immediately eight Battalions of the Walloon Guards, an Embargo was instantly laid upon all Shipping in that Port, but that the very next Day Orders arrived to countermand these Dispositions. Such contradictory Accounts are hourly imported that even the Adepts in the Mysteries of Politicks are at a Loss what Conclutions to draw from them.

Letters from Genoa say, it is certain the late Edict in relation to Dress, &c. is strictly enforced, and proves of great Advantage.

Saturday se'nnight, being May Day, a new Gown, two Shifts, Aprons, a Pair of Stockings, two Pair of Shoes, and Half a Crown in Money, were given away at Gunnersbury House to sixty poor Women and Girls, by Order of the Princess Amelia.

The five Gentlemen appointed by the Creditors of Sir George Colebrooke to examine the State of that Gentleman's Shop and private Debts, reported, that, after a very complete and strict Investigation, they had found the Balance of Sir George Colebrooke's Effects, after discharging all Debts due by the Shop, as well as his own private Debts, amounted to 315,000l. But upon inquiring into the Nature and State of Mr. G—— rt's large Debts, they thought it proper to write off 120,000 l. as the largest possible Loss which Sir George could sustain from the Advance he had imprudently made to this unfortunate Brother in Law, and which had been the Source of his temporary Suspension in his Affairs. After making this large Deduction, which they acknowledged did exceed any Sum they could possibly suppose that in the Worst of Events it would amount to, there still remained to Sir George Colebrooke and Family 195,000 l. besides the eventual Chance of the Reversion of the Chilham Estate in Kent. They observed, however, that out of this Sum they had thought proper to deduct 69,000 l. which had been settled on Lady Colebrooke and Children, which reduced the Balance to 126,000 l.

On Tuesday se'nnight a Fire broke out in one of the Caserns without the City of Zutphen, in Holland, in which nine Soldiers, a Serjeant, and a Child, were burnt to Death, nine or ten more dangerously burnt, and of the whole Company, which consisted of upwards of 40, only four or five Men are fit to do Duty; all their Baggage and Arms were destroyed. Three of the Burghers of Zutphen, who ran to the Assistance of the Soldiers, had the Misfortune to be drowned.

Letters from Cadiz mention that an Account lately received there of an Earthquake having happened in several Spanish Islands in America, which had done considerable Damage, and that a great Number of Persons lost their Lives.

The Empress of Russia hath sent Orders for buying up some Irish Poplins, to be worn by her Imperial Majesty and the Ladies of her Court.

A Morning Paper says: By Letters from Cairo, we learn that Ali Bey has just given a Proof of his Proficiency in the Art of Financiering, which outdoes all that any of the three Northern Allies have given. He has obliged the Jews to pay him a considerable Sum, one Half of which, he told them, was in Part of Interest and Indemnification, and for Non-enjoyment of the great Sums their Ancestors borrowed, and feloniously carried off, from the Ancients Egyptians; and the other Half is Part of the Interests due upon the fine not paid for the Murder of Jesus Christ. We recommend this Transaction to the serious Consideration of the Courts of Vienna, Petersburg, and Berlin, and hope they will depute a solemn Embassy to Ali Bey, to congratulate him on the great Improvement he has made in the Art of appropriating our Neighbours Goods. The Superiority of Ali Bey over his three Rivals is evident, for first, he does not prove his Claims by antiquated Record, of disputable Authority, but by Books known and allowed to be authentick by the Jews themselves. In the next Place, his Claims are inexhaustible; for, setting the original Debt at no more than the Purchase Money of the legitimate State of the House of Brandenburg, the accumulated Interest arising thereon will make such an enormous Sum, that, according to Dr. Price's Calculation, a Mass of Gold equal to the whole Body of the Earth would not discharge it.

May 7. A never failing Remedy, to destroy Rats out of [illegible], Warehouse, Ships, &c. Take Sponge, and after having cut it into small Pieces, as much as a Rat can swallow, soak it in melted Honey; put these Pieces in Plates, near their Holes, and a few Experiments will shew the superiour Effect of this simple Method to that of any of the numerous Pretenders who call themselves Rat Catchers.

It is whispered at the west End of the Town, as a Court Secret, that a considerable Sum of Money has been lately issued out of the Treasury to serve the Exigencies of two Royal Dukes.

Orders are given from the War Office for six covered Waggons to be got ready at the Tower to carry Stores and Accoutrements to his Majesty's Forces in Scotland.

May 8. Yesterday Morning Mr. Hind, one of his Majesty's Messengers in Ordinary, arrived at the Secretary of State's Office with Despatches from Madrid.

It is ſaid ſome Advices from Conſtantinople ſeem to inſinuate that a Peace between the Turks, and their ſucceſsful Enemies the Ruſſians, is nearer Completion than the uninformed Politicians on this Side the Channel dream of.

Some very intereſting Deſpatches were brought this Morning to St. James's, by a foreign Courier, from the Lords Regents of the Electorate of Hanover. Summonſes were iſſued for a Cabinet Council to meet this Afternoon, at St. James's.

They write from the Hague, that the Dutch Eaſt India Company had given Orders for three Thouſand Recruits to be immediately raiſed, and ſent out with the firſt Opportunity, to reinforce their Aſiatick Settlements.

Private Letters from Madrid inform us, that the Court has deſpatched ſeveral Expreſſes, one after another, to the Havannah, the laſt of which was forwarded from Cadiz by a clean Frigat furniſhed with Oars, for Expedition's Sake, in Caſe of Calms or contrary Winds.

We are informed that the French are now aſſiduouſly, both openly and ſecretly, endeavouring to bring about a Reconciliation between the Turks and Ruſſians. On what ſtrange Principles are the Politicks of that Court founded! It is but a little While ſince all their Art was employed to widen the Breach, which now all their Fineſſe is exerted to cloſe.

We hear, from good Authority, that there will be a Lottery for the preſent Year, notwithſtanding what has been aſſerted to the contrary.

Mr. Smith, of Covent Garden Theatre, we hear, is about entering into holy Orders.

We are aſſured that the Dutcheſs of Cumberland is pregnant, and that it has been formally declared to the King.

Yeſterday was publiſhed his Majeſty's Proclamation (dated the 6th Inſtant) for diſcontinuing the Bounties offered for Seamen and Landmen to enter themſelves on Board his Majeſty's Ships of War; ſetting forth, that as his Majeſty finds it no longer neceſſary to continue the Armament at Sea, therefore it is thought fit to revoke and annul the Proclamation of the 22d of April laſt, and to declare that the Payment of the ſeveral Bounties thereby offered ſhall ceaſe from and after the 6th Inſtant.

A Gentleman of an enterpriſing Genius in the Fortune-hunting Way, well known at all publick Places, is at laſt, through Miſtake, married, we hear, to a Lady as enterpriſing as himſelf. This fair One appeared frequently this Winter at the Opera and Playhouſes, dreſſed extremely brilliant, had a vaſt Change of ſuperb Jewels, which ſhe diſplayed, in the Decoration of her Perſon, to the higheſt Advantage, and had alſo a very reſpectable Acquaintance with her own Sex in the faſhionable World; all which rendered her ſo irreſiſtible to the induſtrious Gentleman that he purſued her inceſſantly, and after a cloſe Siege of ſix Weeks ſhe condeſcended to give him her Hand. During the Courtſhip, to the connubial Moment, he never once inquired into her Fortune; her Connexions put her above Inquiry. But in leſs than a Fortnight he found his Way to her Caſket, and privately taking away ſome of the Diamonds, went to a Jeweller to diſpoſe of them, when, to his horrid Confuſion, he was informed they were *falſe Stones*; upon which he went home, replaced the imagined Treaſure, and, without giving a ſingle Hint to his Bride, decamped that Night, and has not been ſince heard of.

May 10. Yeſterday there was a Cabinet Council at St. James's, on the Subject of ſome important Deſpatches received from the Continent.

We are informed, that ſome Orders lately deſpatched to the Britiſh Commanders on the Weſt India Station were in Conſequence of Advice received that the French are forming ſome Deſigns on the Spaniſh Continent of America, ſaid to be prejudicial to the Intereſts of Great Britain.

It is reported, but we know not yet with what Foundation, that a Treaty is now in Agitation between our Court and the States General, for reciprocally guarantying to each other their ſeveral Settlements in the Eaſt Indies.

Letters from Barcelona and Carthagena, brought by yeſterday's Mail, confirm that the fitting out of Ships at thoſe Ports, and the Enrolment of Sailors on the Coaſt of Spain, had been countermanded by Orders from the Spaniſh Court.

Mr. Wedderburne yeſterday employed the whole Exertion of his Powers in Vindication of Lord Clive; he was up exactly an Hour and a Quarter. He obſerved, in the Courſe of his Harangue, that the ſelect Committee had attended to the Conduct of Men, and not made a general Inquiry into the Affairs of the Eaſt India Company. Sir William Meredith, in Reply, obſerved, that it was very true the Committee had done ſo, and that the Conſequence was the Diſcovery of thoſe Facts upon the Table; a Diſgrace to the India Company, and a Diſhonour to the Nation.

Advice is juſt received from Corke that a French Frigat had foundered off the Old Head of Kingſale, and all the Crew periſhed.

The moſt friendly Intimacy now ſubſiſts between the Dukes of Cumberland and Grafton, the latter being upon all Occaſions a moſt ſtrenuous Advocate for the former.

The French Ambaſſadour, it is ſaid, has actually ſolicited his Court for a few Days in Order to tranſact ſome particular Buſineſs, which has been complied with.

On Saturday Orders were given from the Admiralty Office for recalling the Serjeants of Marines from the Counties where they are gone to enliſt Men for that Service.

A recent Advice has confirmed the Intelligence that the Emperour of Germany, with all the Princes of the Empire, have conſented to the Eſtabliſhment of the Society of Jeſus not only in Germany, but in all the Auſtrian Dominions in Italy, &c. ſo that the Holy Fathers are likely to be as flouriſhing as ever they were.

They write from Paris, of the 30th of April, that the Abbé de Caulincourt, Almoner to the King, who died there lately, had contracted immenſe Debts, beyond what his Income could poſſibly diſcharge. The Abbé de la Galicierr, his Friend, ſeeing him miſerable on Account of his being about to die a Bankrupt, went, unknown to him, paid all his Debts, and returning preſented him with full Acquittances for the Whole into his Hands, though he was then on his Death Bed. This is an Act ſo generous, and diſintereſted, that it deſerves to be carried down to the lateſt Poſterity.

Extract of a Letter from Gibraltar, *April* 12.

"This Morning, at Half paſt five, we had a violent Shock of an Earthquake here, which laſted forty or fifty Seconds; luckily no Damage was done in Town, nor was it felt on Board the Ships in the Harbour."

The L'Apollon, a French Man of War, foundered in a hard Gale of Wind off the Land's End, and all on Board periſhed.

In the Courſe of laſt Month no leſs than ſixty two Commiſſions of Bankrupcies paſſed the Great Seal, an Inſtance of which has not been known in the Memory of the oldeſt Man living.

Extract of a Letter from Penzance, *April* 24.

"Our Fiſhermen have caught, in the Courſe of this Week, upwards of forty Hundred Thouſand Mackarel; they ſold in our Market at 3 d. a Score, which is exceeding low. Our rebellious Tinners are at preſent very quiet, but we cannot ſell our Tin in London at any Rate. Many Corniſh Gentlemen have theirs by them to the Amount of 16 or 18,000 l. Worth each, and cannot draw for one Farthing; by which Means Trade in general, in this County, is at ſo low an Ebb that I never ſaw the like for Badneſs."

May 12. We hear from Norfolk and Suffolk, that ſeveral Farmers in thoſe Countries are going to cultivate the Growth of Carrots; as they have been found, by Experience, to be of excellent Uſe in feeding of Cattle, and will be of great Utility to the Huſbandry in Caſe of Scarcity in Graſs.

Laſt Friday, as a Man was going to take a Bird's Neſt out of a Tree near Lambeth, his Foot ſlipped, and the Tree being hollow, he fell down the Hole, where he remained till Sunday Morning, before he could make any Body hear to give him Aſſiſtance, and then was with great Difficulty got out.

Some Gentlemen from London a few Days ago paſſed through Glouceſter, Expreſs to Hereford, to ſearch the Regiſter of All Saints Church for the Age of David Garrick, Eſquire, in Order to determine a Bet of 500 Guineas, which was laid that Mr. Garrick was 60 Years of Age. The following is a Tranſcript of the Regiſter:

Chris: David, Son of Mr. Peter and Arabella Garrick, baptiſed February 28, 1716.

It is certain that within theſe twelve Months upwards of 400 Carriages have been laid down, the Owners, who were before very well able to keep them, not being able to ſupport that Expenſe now, there being ſuch a Scarcity of Money in the Kingdom. Thank Fordyce for this.

A literary Correſpondence is kept up between his Pruſſian Majeſty and ſome great Perſons in this Kingdom, by which he is informed of many curious Articles long before they are publiſhed in London.

It is ſaid that our Court have remonſtrated very lately againſt certain Treaties of Commerce, now on the Carpet between Portugal and Holland.

The King of Pruſſia has for ſome Time been ſtudying the Writings of Plato, and has profited ſo much by them that he thinks himſelf ſufficiently qualified to make Trial of the following Opinion of the above Philoſopher: "Mankind can never be fully and completely happy till the whole World is governed by one Monarch; then there will be no Occaſion for foreign Wars; Intereſt, Jealouſy, Ambition, will no more arm ſovereign Princes againſt one another; the Complaints of ſo many who groan under the Dominion of Tyrants, who rob and oppreſs them, will then ceaſe; wicked and perfidious Men will no more find an Aſylum in foreign Kingdoms, and all Nations will then become one Family, beloved by their only King and Father, who will make it thrive and flourish." We need not wonder, indeed, if he ſhould aſpire to be a God!

Admiral Saunders, it is whiſpered, is highly diſpleaſed with Adminiſtration on Account of ſome Tranſactions that have occurred between the iſſuing of the two Proclamations. Upon the Whole, it is reported that the Deference has not been paid to him which a Man in his Capacity has a Right to expect.

Extract of a Letter from Genoa, *April* 10.

"We have juſt received authentick Advice that the Ruſſians have made a Deſcent, and entirely poſſeſſed themſelves of Succania, on Romania Minor, without any Loſs of material Conſequence. The Deſcent was unexpected by the Turks, and the Baſhaw of Corinth ſurrendered the important City to the ſucceſsful Muſcovites, without ſtriking a Stroke or firing a Gun. The ſame Advices add, that Part of the Ruſſian Fleet was preparing to make an Attack on the Iſland of Candia, which the Turks have lately been aſſiduous in fortifying."

They write from Genoa, that the Republick had juſt fitted out four Men of War, which were going down to Algiers to demand Reſtitution of ſome Merchant Ships taken by the Dey's Corſairs.

Extract of a Letter from Plymouth, *May* 3.

"Amongſt all the Improvements made in all our refined Arts, few come up to that of our plated Wares, as they are ſcarcely to be diſcovered from real Silver. But this Art is not only confined to Metals, for ſome of our Farmers Wives in this Neighbourhood poſſeſs the Art of making plated Butter. A Farmer, with upwards of 2000 l. Property, was detected on Monday laſt in the Market ſelling plated Butter upon Hog's Lard. The Butter was no thicker round the Lard than a Crown Piece. The Farmer was taken to the Guilchall; and, as he could produce no Patent, he was obliged to pay about nine Pounds, Fine and Coſt, for the Ingenuity of his Wife. A Gentleman's Servant bought four Pounds of the ſame Sort of a Man, but the Artiſt hath not been diſcovered.

May 13. We have been aſſured, that a formal Requiſition hath been ſent to a neighbouring Court, to recall their Ambaſſadour, in Conſequence of an Affair of Gallantry with a Lady of Rank.

They write from Martinico, that ſeveral new Fortifications are carrying on both in that Iſland and at Guadaloupe; and that the French are buying up, by Commiſſion, ſeveral Bermuda built Veſſels, Privateers in the late War, to be employed, as they give out, as Guineamen.

They write from Boſton, in New England, that ſome French and Spaniſh Agents were lately committed to the Town Jail for inveigling Ship Carpenters, Caulkers, &c. to go to the Havannah, on Promiſe of great Encouragement.

The Chairman of a certain Committee has publickly declared, that he will impeach a well known Nabob.

At a certain Town in Glouceſterſhire, a Widow, in good Circumſtances of Life, has lately been delivered of a Child, the Father of which is ſaid to be her own Son, a Youth about 17 Years of Age, who abſconded about three Months ago.

Some Letters from Liſbon mention that a Rupture between Portugal and Spain is much apprehended there, in Conſequence of ſome unfavourable Advices which have been lately received from Madrid.

Advice was yeſterday received at the India Houſe, over Land from India, containing an Account of an Action that had lately happened between their Forces at Bombay and a Prince of the Country, who had made ſome Encroachments upon the Company's Territories in that Province; that their Troops had been ſucceſsful, and had taken a principal Town of the Enemy by Storm; but that unfortunately their Commander in Chief, General Wedderburne, had been killed in the Action.

Yeſterday a full Board of Admiralty was held, when it was agreed to reduce the Number of Seamen and Marines to the late Complement; and Orders were ſent to the Commiſſioners of the Dockyards for that Purpoſe.

Letters from Warſaw, of the 24th ult. adviſe, that ſeveral Perſons who had been in Priſon, under a ſtrong Guard, for upwards of twelve Months, on Suſpicion of being concerned in the Plot againſt the King's Life, have juſt found Means to make their Eſcape.

A Faſhion has lately prevailed, of the Ladies wearing a Piece of Iron within their Stays, to confine them to a particular Shape. This has been attended with fatal Conſequences, by the Iron ruſting; and it occaſioned a Cancer in the Breaſt, of which Mrs. Dormer, of Drury Lane Theatre, died.

We have been favoured with the following Account of the Legacies, &c. of the late Lord Berkeley: To Miſs Egerton, Siſter to the Biſhop of Durham (his Lordſhip's Executrix) Berkeley Square for her Life, &c. to the Amount of about 60,000 l. To Earl Berkeley, of Berkeley in Glouceſterſhire (a very diſtant Relation of his Lordſhip) 20,000 l. with all his Plate and Pictures, four large Eſtates in Somerſet, two Eſtates in Dorſet, and (after Miſs Egerton's Death) Berkeley Square, which is eſtimated 15,000 l. a Year at the Expiration of the preſent Leaſes. To Commodore Byron, his Eſtates in Yorkſhire and Hampſhire, eſtimated at 20,000 l. To each of the Commodore's Daughters 5000 l. and 2000 l. to each Son. To Lady Sophia Egerton, 2000 l. To the Honourable Mrs. Wodehouſe, his Lordſhip's Niece, 5000 l. To Major Egerton, 2000 l. To three of the Major's Daughters, 500 l. each. To Colonel Egerton, 1000 l. To the Archdeacon of York, 1000 l. To Miſs Daviſon, an Annuity of 50 l. a Year. To his Servants as follows: His Gentleman 600 l. his Valet de Chambre 500 l. his Houſekeeper 500 l. his London and Home Stewards 200 l. each; his Butler, Bailiff, Coachman, Houſe Maids, Laundry and Chamber Maids, 100 l. each; his under Steward and Family 400 l. his Groom and Family 150 l. his Gardener and Poſtilion 50 l. each. To the Bath, Briſtol, Middleſex, and St. George's Hoſpitals, 1000 l. each; and to the Poor of Bruton, 100 l.

May 14. Wedneſday Night a Board of Admiralty was ſuddenly held, though Lord Sandwich was in the Country. Several Captains of the Royal Navy received their final Orders to go down to the reſpective Ports where their Ships lie, though they had been permitted but the Day before to go into the Country on their own private Concerns. It is rumoured that this ſudden and unexpected Turn of Affairs is owing to a Courier's Arrival from the Court of Verſailles on Wedneſday, with an Account that the Spaniſh Ships have ſet Sail. All is Buſtle, or Buſineſs, throughout the whole Department of the Navy. Several Meſſengers were inſtantly deſpatched to Lord Sandwich, and to the different Ports and Dockyards. The Board ſat till nine o'Clock at Night.

Yeſterday Notice was given at the Bank, that from the 24th of June no Bills of Exchange would be diſcounted under 5 l. per Cent.

The Queen of Denmark is not going back to Copenhagen, nor is ſhe coming here. Certain it is that ſhe is deſtined to remain at Hanover for Life, unleſs the King her Huſband becomes perfectly reconciled to her again, and particularly requeſts her Return, which is not likely at preſent.

Yeſterday the Tower was ſhut up, and no Perſons whatever permitted to paſs through, on Account of the Delivery of Gunpowder to his Majeſty's Ordnance Office.

It was this Morning aſſerted, as a Fact, that the Spaniards have begun Hoſtilities in the Mediterranean; that they have taken a Veſſel laden with Corn and other Proviſions from America, bound to Gibraltar, and have carried it into Valencia.

It was this Morning declared upon Change, that private Letters from Barcelona ſay that one of his Britannick Majeſty's Ships have been, by Order of the Governour, denied Entrance into that Harbour, though in Diſtreſs, having loſt her Rudder, and that ſhe was obliged to make for another Port to repair. Theſe Letters farther add, that great Preparations are making there for War; and that the Fortifications of that Place have lately been repaired, and new Works added to them.

May 15. We hear that a new Syſtem of puniſhing Criminals, the entire Invention of Lord Mansfield, will be laid before the Lower Houſe in the Courſe of a few Days.

Extract of a Letter from Portſmouth, *May* 13.

"Two Expreſſes arrived this Morning to countermand the Diſcharge of Seamen, and the ſailing of the Ships to Plymouth, at the ſame Time ordering the Seamen already diſcharged to be re-entered."

The following News came by yeſterday's Poſt from a Gentleman who arrived at Portſmouth, from London, on Thurſday Morning. "In my Road to this Place I met 4 or 500 Sailors going to Town, who had been diſcharged from the Ships; and when I came here an Expreſs was juſt arrived, with Orders to turn off no more, as alſo to ſend after thoſe gone, to bring them back again, and to man the Ships with all Expedition. Yeſterday this Town was quite flat and dead, the poor Sailors ſold their Beds for a Shilling a Piece, which had been provided for them a few Days before, and 10 s. 6 d. ſtopped out of their Wages for the ſame. Numbers of them begged Charity of me upon the Road, declaring they had not a Penny to help themſelves. All is Hurry and Buſtle to-day, but it is imagined it will end in Smoke. The Gunpowder ſent from the Warehouſes to the ſeveral Ships was no ſooner in than ordered back, which was complied with; now it is ordered to the Ships again."

A Number of Journeymen Silk Weavers have lately been engaged by Daniſh Agents to embark for Copenhagen, on Promiſe of good Encouragement in the Silk Manufactures eſtabliſhed in that City.

May 18. Letters which arrived yeſterday from Paris bring the moſt authentick Accounts of the Spaniards ſtill continuing to arm moſt vigorouſly, as they have moſt undoubted Intelligence that the Emperour is marching a very powerful Army into the Kingdom of Naples, to counteract which Army the Spaniards are now actually embarking *twenty Thouſand Land Forces* for the Protection of the Kingdom of Naples. The ſame Letters poſitively aſſure, that the King of England has actually engaged to ſend a powerful Fleet into the Archipelago to aſſiſt the Ruſſians, in Conſequence of which timely Aid the Subjects of Great Britain are to be permitted the Navigation of the Baltick *Duty free*.

Freſh Orders are again iſſued from the Board of Admiralty for augmenting each Company of Marines with twenty Men.

It is ſaid that a Squadron of Men of War, with a Regiment of Foot, will ſail in a few Days for the Mediterranean.

We learn by a Letter from Paris, dated the 11th of May, that two Expreſſes arrived there from Madrid in 24 Hours. The firſt occaſioned a Council to be held, after which a Courier was ſent to Toulon; whereupon Lord Stormont went to the Duke D'Aiguillon, and was cloſeted for two Hours with him. His Lordſhip required to be informed of the Contents of the laſt Deſpatch from Spain, otherwiſe he ſhould retire to England. The Duke D'Aiguillon deſired his Excellency to meet him in the Evening at Choiſy, where the King was; which he did, and the ſame Evening, his Excellency, upon the Anſwer, deſpatched a Courier to his Court.

The Moment before our Correſpondent ſealed his Letter it was publick in Paris that the Spaniſh Ambaſſadour was gone, ſo that the Family Compact is at an End. It is certain, that ſince the late Peace Spain has built and repaired a formidable Fleet, which is well manned; her Troops are upon a good Footing, her Fortifications at home and abroad are repaired, Spain has leſs Debts, and more Caſh and Credit, than any Power in Europe.

A Meſſenger, who had been but a few Hours coming from Paris, arrived at the Secretary of State's Office on Saturday Night laſt, it is ſaid brought from our Ambaſſadour a Confirmation of the News that has alarmed our Miniſtry in the Courſe of laſt Week. The French, it ſeems, have actually purſued the Meaſures they firſt ſet out upon, notwithſtanding their Aſſurances to the contrary; but the Spaniards have exceeded them in Inſolence, and it is ſuppoſed will meet with Chaſtiſement in a few Days, for yeſterday Expreſſes were ſent to Portſmouth and Plymouth to enter all the Men that came, and to give more Bounty Money than what was offered in the late Proclamation. War now, therefore, ſeems inevitable.

Extract of a Letter from Toulon, *April* 20.

"The Squadron fitted out here will not be diſarmed. Freſh Orders have juſt arrived to the Intendant and Commiſſaries of Marines to put the full Complement of Men on Board each Ship, with Proviſions, Stores, &c. for eight Months. All the Veſſels will be ready for ſailing in leſs than a Fortnight; but their Deſtination, or the particular View in fitting them out, cannot be truly aſcertained, as every Perſon is very ſecret reſpecting them."

Extract of a Letter from Portſmouth, *May* 13.

"The French Ambaſſadour, by Deſire, was yeſterday permitted to have a long Conference with his Majeſty."

An Evening Paper of Saturday laſt ſays, a Foreigner of high Rank (the French Ambaſſadour) was detected one Night laſt Week, at Portſmouth, taking a View of the Works in Diſguiſe. He had been invited to dine on Board a Man of War, with ſome Engliſh Nobility, but excuſed himſelf on Pretence of being fatigued with the Journey, when he took that Opportunity of going round the Fortifications in a Boat without any Attendants.

By an Extract of a Letter, from Utrecht, we are authoriſed to inform the Publick that the Deſign of the French and Spaniſh Fleet, which will conſiſt of thirty Sail, in Conjunction with the Turks, will paſs the Dardanelles in Order to deſtroy the Ruſſian naval Force in the Black Sea, and thereby prevent the Ruſſian Armies, or any of their Allies, from being ſupplied with Proviſions from different Quarters; which muſt infallibly prevent their making any farther Progreſs in the Ottoman Empire than they have already done, and by enforcing this Plan the Turks are in great Hopes of having a more ſucceſsful Campaign than any hitherto, more eſpecially as the Engliſh Fleet is a long Way aſtern of them, and before it can come up with them the Paſſage will be ſtopped.

The Banking Buſineſs being at a very low Ebb, was the Occaſion of the preſent Bill in Parliament relating to Bankers, to make their whole Eſtate liable for their Debts; and it is reckoned a good Fineſſe to eſtabliſh Credit.

May 19. On Sunday Evening laſt an anonymous Letter of a very ſingular Nature, wrote in the Spaniſh Language, was dropped in the Purlieus of St. James's, and is ſaid to contain ſome very intereſting Matter.

From our Correſpondent at the Hague, dated the 12th Inſtant: "The laſt Courier from France has occaſioned a general Ferment in the general State Aſſembly, and the Diplomatick Body. The Spaniſh Ambaſſadour is very buſy in endeavouring to juſtify the Conduct of his Court, but his Behaviour appears entirely oppoſite to peaceable Terms. The Pruſſian Ambaſſadour ſeems very uneaſy about the Deſpatch he has received from his Court ſince the laſt Courier he ſent to Berlin; they ſuſpect that nobody is informed of the Contents but the Ruſſian Miniſter, who went the ſame Night to General Yorke. The French Miniſter has been ſent for, and did not depart from theſe Conferences till between two and three o'Clock in the Morning. Never was more Money ſpent here by the Miniſters than at preſent, in Order to keep a Watch one upon the other; but nobody can gueſs the true Cauſe of it, ſo ſecret are their Negotiations.

A Number of Meſſengers have now Orders to be ready, at a Moment's Warning, to ſet off for France, Spain, or Ruſſia, if required.

The Court of France has artfully diverted our Miniſtry, for ſeveral Days paſt, with Propoſals, Meſſages, Anſwers, &c. in Order to conceal their real Intentions, which were to facilitate the treacherous Schemes they have been hatching ſince the Commencement of the War between the Turks and Ruſſians. They have now actually ſucceeded ſo far that it will coſt England much Trouble, Expenſe, and many Men, to ſtop their Progreſs. Theſe Tranſactions ring through the World, and draw ſo many Eyes upon us as quite look into all our weaker Parts: Our Protection is no longer relied upon by the Ruſſians, nor our Alliance courted; the neighbouring Nations firſt deſpiſe then venture to inſult us, for Mankind are apt to imagine that where there is no Council there can be no Strength. It is true our Arms have been dreadful in the Field, and our Fleets have been the Terrour of the Main; but are they to be feared, who, after all their martial Toils, can be ſo eaſily defeated in the Cabinet?

May 20. By private Letters from Spain we hear that the Number of regiſtered Seamen already embodied, and put in Pay, on the Weſtern Coaſts of that Kingdom, amounts to 14,000.

A Treaty of Marriage is on Foot, and in a Day or two will be conſummated, between Lord Viſcount Townſhend, late Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, and Miſs Nancy Montgomery, Daughter of William Montgomery, Eſq; of St. James's Square.

Yeſterday Lord Rockingham was in the Houſe of Lords, for the firſt Time ſince his late Indiſpoſition.

We are informed that ſeven Ships of the Line, three Frigates, and two Bomb Veſſels, are for the future to be always kept completely manned, and in conſtant Readineſs to ſail, on the ſhorteſt Warning, to any Part of the Globe, as Occaſion may require.

They write from Breſt, that the Court of France has lately ordered the Number of Seamen on the the Marine Liſt to be augmented with 15,000 Men.

Extract of a Letter from a Member of the Virginia *Aſſembly, dated* March 14, 1773, *to his Correſpondent in* London, *ſubmitted to the ſerious Conſideration of the Britiſh Merchants trading to that Colony.*

"Our Aſſembly is now ſitting. Almoſt 37,000 l. new Paper Notes of Credit are to be emitted to redeem thoſe that are now in Circulation, notwithſtanding the Redemption of 80000 l. of them ſhould have taken Place in 1770, and the Taxes have been actually received for that Purpoſe. Would it not be wiſe in the Merchants in Britain to endeavour at obtaining Inſtructions from the King to our Governour not to aſſent in future to any of our Acts of Aſſembly for emitting Paper Money?"

Private Letters from Cadiz ſay, that his Catholick Majeſty has lately ſent, by Expreſs, new Inſtructions to his ſeveral Governours in the Spaniſh Weſt Indies.

A private Letter from Rochelle gives an Account that eight Weſt India Ships, and three Barks, laden with Corn, were ſtranded behind the Iſland of Oleron.

The Britiſh Miniſters at foreign Courts have received Inſtructions to declare that the Fleet now fitting out by this Nation, and deſtined for the Mediterranean, is in Conſequence of the Court of Verſailles and Madrid having each given Orders for ſending a Squadron into that Sea. As this is, undoubtedly, the real Occaſion of our preſent Armament, it highly behoves us to take Care that it be ſufficiently ſtrong, in Conjunction with the Ruſſian Fleet, to make Head againſt that of the French joined with the Spaniſh, which Event may be reaſonably expected.

By Letters from Jamaica, we are aſſured that the Fortifications of Port Royal, and every other Part of the Iſland, have been put into the beſt State of Defence poſſible.

Yesterday being the Anniversary of her Majesty's Birthday, who then entered the 30th Year of her Age, his Majesty received the Compliments of the Nobility and foreign Ministers at St. James's, as did her Majesty at her Palace.

The Racehorse and Carcass are fitting out for an Expedition to the North Pole, under the Command of the Honourable Captain Phipps. Mr. Lyons is appointed by the Board of Longitude to make Observations in Astronomy, Natural History, and Philosophy. The principal Design of the Voyage is to examine the Countries and Seas near the Pole, and to endeavour to find a Passage this Way to Japan, which is now a Voyage of about ten Months; whereas, if a Passage could be found by the North, it might be performed in seven Weeks. A very large Collection of Instruments is prepared for this Expedititon, for making Observations and Experiments on the State of the Atmosphere in the frigid Zone; two Watches of Mr. Arnold's Construction, and one made by Mr. Kendal, after Mr. Harrison's, are to be examined, to see if they be useful to find the Longitude in those cold Climates. This Ship will sail in a few Days.

The King of Prussia has an Army of 240,000 fighting Men. How is such a large Body of Troops to be clothed, fed, and paid? Either by the Ruin of his Subjects, or by letting them seize, plunder, and destroy, the Territories of the neigbouring Princes. The Monarch who keeps up a large standing Army, in Time of Peace, tells all the World that he designs to find an Enemy whenever he pleases.

The Earl of Corke, in a Letter from Florence, written in the Year 1755, makes the following Observation, which a Correspondent says he thinks is prophetical: "The Ball of Empire may hereafter roll westward, and may stop in America; a World unknown when Greece was in its Meridian Glory, a World that may save the Tears of some future Alexander."

A private Letter from Paris says, it is certain the united Fleets are ordered into the Mediterranean, to support the Turks at all Hazards.

Extract of a Letter from Gosport, *May* 18.

"Our Fleet here, which consists of 15 Sail of the Line, four Frigates, and three Sloops, is equipping with all Despatch, so as to be ready on a Moment's Notice to sail."

The Ministry are now at a Stand about what Measures to take at this alarming Crisis; they are unwilling to engage any more Men, as also to turn off any Men. They are quite in a State of Uncertainty both at Portsmouth and Plymouth, and know not which to prepare for, War or Peace.

Nothing has passed between the Courts of England and France for this Week past.

Wednesday Lord Townshend was married to Miss Montgomery. She is said to be about 17, and his Lordship about 50 Years of Age.

May 22. It is now generally believed that the Parliament will not rise, at soonest, till after the Middle of July.

Yesterday a Messenger arrived at Lord Rochford's Office, with some Despatches from Lord Stormont, at Paris.

Yesterday a Board of Admiralty was held, at which several Naval Officers attended and received their Commissions, after which some fresh Orders were sent to the Commissioners of the different Dockyards.

On Thursday Orders were sent from the Admiralty for three Frigates to put to Sea immediately, one of which is to cruise off Cadiz, one off Toulon, and the other off Brest.

It is reported that the Portuguese Ambassadour delivered a Memorial of great Importance last Thursday to one of his Majesty's principal Secretaries of State.

They write from Paris, that the Chevalier de Turgot sailed from Rochelle some Time last Month on Board a Man of War of 70 Guns, accompanied by another Ship of 60 Guns, with all Sorts of Provisions. He has taken only 300 Soldiers, but a great Numbe of Troops will soon follow him, the Destination of which is kept a profounded Secret.

They write from Vienna, that Bets are laid there, of a Hundred to five, that Peace between Russia and the Porte will be proclaimed before the Expiration of two Months.

Letters from Hanau advise, that the reigning Princess of Hesse Darmstadt, accompanied by her three Daughters, arrived the 7th ult. at that Place; and, after resting at Philipsruhe, took her Route for Berlin, with the three Princesses. It is not determined whether they are to go to Petersburg, or whether the Grand Duke of Russia will go to Berlin incog. to make his Choice of one of them for his future Spouse.

It is confidently asserted, at the west End of the Town, that our Court has received Intelligence of some Attempts meditating in the Cabinets of France and Spain against this Kingdom and Portugal, which has occasioned two Expresses to be sent to Lisbon with the Particulars; and some Letters from Lisbon advise that a Rupture is looked upon as unavoidable between Portugal and Spain, the latter having already committed some Hostilities upon the Portuguese in the Brazils.

By Advices from France we are informed that the Toulon Squadron is completely manned, and by this Time ready to sail.

Several Merchants in Town have received Letters that the Spanish Fleet has actually put to Sea.

From Wales we hear that the Inhabitants of Bangor were much alarmed, on the 22d of last Month, with the Shock of an Earthquake, which shook the Bishop of Bangor's Palace, and threw down some Chimnies.

Letters from Trowbridge, in Wiltshire, mention the Death of William Temple, Esq; who, among other Legacies to his Friends, it is said has left Mr. Wilkes 500 l.

At a new erected Meeting House near Cold Bath Fields, there is a Board hung out, with the following Inscription, "Preaching here every "Morning at six o'Clck." This is the first *Sign* of the Kind we ever remember to have heard of.

Several Spanish Men of War, with a Number of Transports, sailed last Month, from different Ports in Spain, for the Coast of Guinea, in Order to join the French Squadron already there, after which Junction it is said some important Blow is intended to be struck.

The Master of a Vessel just arrived in the River says that an English Frigat of 32 Guns, which was stationed off Cadiz, to watch the Motions of the Spaniards at that Port, was chased a Day and Night by three Spanish Men of War, but at length got clear off, with the Loss of her fore Topmast, which they shot away.

Several clean Ships are ordered to reinforce the British Squadron on the Coast of Africa, where they are to remain a Twelvemonth.

We are assured, from good Authority, that the Duke of Cumberland had yesterday an Audience of his Majesty.

The Dukes of Glocester and Cumberland have many Engagements upon their Hands this Summer; they and their Ladies, it is supposed, will honour most Places in England with their Company.

None of the late Orders sent to Portsmouth and Plymouth for entering Men, and getting a Fleet ready with all Expedition, have been yet countermanded; so that it is imagined War will be heard of in a very short Time, especially if we consider that little or nothing has been received from the Powers whom we suspect to render our Preparations unnecessary.

His Majesty, after the Review of the Scots Grays on Blackheath on Saturday last, ordered them 55 Guineas, as he was greatly pleased with the alert and exact Performance of all their Manœuvres and Evolutions.

They write from Jamaica, that the Spaniards have for some Months past been employed in rendering Cumberland Harbour, on the Island of Cuba, 23 Leagues south east from St. Jago de Cuba, both for Navigation and Defence, one of the completest Havens in all the Spanish West Indies.

By a Dutch Ship, just arrived from the East Indies, we have an authentick Account that the French are making very great hostile Preparations, and that the Islands of Mauritius and Bourbon have been new garrisoned from Europe.

Extract of a Letter from Petersburg, *May* 12.

"The Claim which Prince Charles of Saxony sets forth to the Dutchies of Courland and Samogitia, which will be litigated in the Grand Diet of Poland, will be strongly opposed by the Empress of Russia, in Favour of her Son the Grand Duke, who pleads a Will made by the late John Ernest de Biron, Duke of Courland, in his Favour. The above mentioned Dutchies have been looked upon by the Russian Sovereigns as immediately under their Influence and Disposal; and in Consequence the Empress will oppose the Claim of a foreign Prince, who is strongly supported by the Emperour of Germany and the King of Prussia, whose Views her Imperial Majesty begins to look upon with Eyes of Distrust."

Preparations, we are told, are making for their Majesties to visit some Part of England, but what Part is not yet known.

We are informed that the Fleet under the Command of Commodore Shuldam, for the Protection of the Newfoundland Fishery, is to be augmented to seven Sail, besides Sloops and small Craft.

By a Vessel from the Mediterranean, which touched at Barcelona in her Way home, we have Advice that several Merchant Ships are detained in that Port by the impressing of their Hands to serve on Board the Spanish Men of War fitting out there.

Mr. Fuller's Amendment gave Rise to the Debate, and was the Matter on which the House divided. The Debate was exceedingly interesting, and the Whole of it conducted with great Spirit, Sense, and Candour; and it is allowed, by the Friends of Lord Clive, that throughout the whole Inquiry Lord North behaved with the greatest Propriety and Impartiality. He acknowledged the great Obligations the Company were under to Lord Clive, that he had been the Means of making them rich and opulent, and which they might still continue to be if proper Regulations for their future Conduct at home and abroad took Place, without which their Affairs would be ever unsteady. The Promise made by Lord North, not to take an Advantage by summoning his Forces for Friday last, and which he faithfully observed, has proved his Lordship a Man of Honour. The principal Speakers were, Colonel Burgoyne, Sir William Meredith, Lord North, Sir George Saville, Mr. Fox, Mr. Stanley, Mr. Fuller, Lord George Germaine, Mr. Cornwall, the Attorney and Solicitor-General, Mr. Norton, Mr. Dowdeswell, and Lord Barrington.

The various and opposite Opinions which reigned in the House of Commons respecting Lord Clive are really worthy Observation. Most of the Members of the two Committees have honestly owned that they went in with a very bad Opinion of the noble Lord, and came out great Admirers of his Character and Conduct. It certainly must be apparent to every judicious, impartial Person, that the Researches of the two Committees were mostly pointed at Lord Clive: He seemed to be the only Object they kept their Eye upon, and they followed him with a persecuting Spirit; and no Doubt, had the first Motions against him been carried, personal Impeachment would have followed; but he evaded them. Who is there but will say, on thorough Reflection, that the Minister was his Friend? Who is there but will say that the noble Lord has been guilty of many Crimes, but then his Services spoke "Trumpet-tongued" in his Favour? And he was *modest* enough to record them himself, with many Exaggerations. Like another Cæsar, *Veni, vidi, vici*, Lord Clive adds, "I fought, I subdued, I extirpated," in Matters where it is well known he had not the least Concern. But these Boasts interested the House in his Favour; these Members who were not *recommended* to exculpate him gave him their Votes out of Generosity, and some out of mere Pity. The noble Nabob may now rest in peaceful Possession of Fortune and Honour; an English Parliament has confirmed the worst of Crimes to be virtuous and meritorious Services.

YORK, *May* 11. Last Tuesday, at Wooller Fair, in Northumberland, a Tinker sitting upon the Grass in the Middle of the Sheep Market, was deprived of two of his upper Teeth in the following Manner. Being intoxicated with Liquor, his Head now and then went see saw up and down, which a large Ram observing, and taking his Nodding for a Challenge (which is very natural for those Animals, especially when brought up in a House, as it appears this had) ran full Speed right against the Tinker's Head, when the Horns struck right against his Teeth, beat out two, and shattered the Remainder.

WILLIAMSBURG, *July* 15.

ON the 7th of April last, his Majesty, by an Order in Council, was pleased to direct all the Governours and Commanders in Chief in North America not to issue any Warrants for surveying Land, pass any Grants of Land, or grant any Licenses to purchase Lands from the Indians, without his Majesty's express Directions, and until his Royal Will and Pleasure should be farther signified, except to such Officers and Soldiers as are entitled to Grants for Land by the Royal Proclamation of October 1763. Those Orders were accordingly despatched to every Governour and Commander in Chief on the Continent.

The Orphan House in Georgia was consumed by Lightning on the 30th of May last, although defended by a large Iron Rod with three Points, which was inserted five or six Feet into the Ground. Very little of the Furniture was saved; but luckily the two Wings, which stand detached from the House, were preserved.

The Richmond, Paterson, from Glasgow, and Peggy, Fisher, from Liverpool, are arrived in James River.

[MARRIAGES.] Mr. HENRY SKIPWITH, to Miss TABITHA WAYLES of Charles City; and Mr. JAMES BRAY JOHNSON, to Miss REBEKAH COCKE, of the same County.

[DEATHS.] Mr. ROBERT RUFFIN, one of the young Gentlemen in the Secretary's Office, much regretted by all his Acquaintances.

☞ *Mr.* BAKER, SURGEON DENTIST, *being now returned to this City, performs all Operations on the Teeth, Gums, and Sockets, as usual; and is ready to renew them* gratis *upon all, formerly under his Care, who, through Inattention or Neglect, have not been completely cured of the Scurvy.——He intends next Month for* Fredericksburg *Springs, and to return by* October.

Advertisements.

Just IMPORTED *from* LONDON, *in the* George, *Captain* Coates, *by* JAMES GEDDY, *and to be sold reasonably, at his Shop, near the Church, in* Williamsburg, *a neat Assortment of*

PLATE and JEWELLERY,

consisting of pierced and plain Salts; Table and Tea Spoons; Tureen Punch and Pap Ladles; Silver, plated, and Pinchbeck Buckles; Paste Shoe, Knee, and Neck Ditto; Paste Combs and Pins; Brooches of Gold and Silver; Mocho and Crystal Buttons in Ditto; Triangle and other Seals in Ditto; Gold Lockets; Chain, Loop, and Stud plated Spurs; Thimbles; Ladies and Gentlemens Chains; Corals; Paste and Crystal Earrings; Finger Ditto; Wedding Ditto; Gold Stook Buckles; Paste Hoops; plain Tortoiseshell and Horn Poll Combs; Morocco Pocket Books, and a Variety of Materials in the Watchmaker's, Jeweller's, and Goldsmith's Business.——The highest Price will be given for old Gold and Silver in Exchange for new Work.

N. B. I would be glad to take an Apprentice, a Lad of good Parts, not more than fourteen Years old, whose Parents or Guardians will find him Clothes. Such a one shall be taught the Business I now follow, in its different Branches.

WARWICK, *June* 7, 1773.

I THINK it necessary to inform the Publick that the 7000 Acres of Land, lying in *Bedford* County, with the Improvements thereon, consisting of a Forge and Saw Mill, &c. which were lately advertised by *Robert Harper* and *Thomas James* for Sale, are made over, by a Deed of Trust, to *James* and *Robert Donald* and Company, as Security for a Debt due them for Dealings at their *Rocky Ridge* and *Bedford* Stores. (tf) PATRICK HUNTER.

A RICH
ARMOISIN SILK
GOWN,
CASSOCK, *and* SASH,
IS FOR SALE
At the Printing Office, at 50 per Cent. on the STERLING COST.

TO BE SOLD,

TWO Thousand five Hundred and twenty Acres of LAND in *Cumberland*, commonly known by the Name of SAINT JAMES's; one Thousand four Hundred and twenty Acres in the Counties of *Goochland* and *Cumberland*, on both Sides of *James* River, opposite to *Elk* Island; and one Thousand four Hundred and eighty Acres on *Herring* Creek, in *Charles City* County. The above Tracts of Land were of the Estate of the late *John Wayles*, deceased, devised to the Subscribers, and are now offered for Sale. Persons disposed to purchase may be informed of the Terms, on Application to any one of the Subscribers; and the Times of Payment will be made easy, on giving Bond and Security to

THOMAS JEFFERSON.
(tf) FRANCIS EPPES.
HENRY SKIPWITH.

GIVEN to some Craft, by Mistake, a PORTMANTEAU TRUNK directed, on a Card, to Mr. *Gawin Hamilton*, Merchant in *Norfolk*. Whoever brings it to me, on Board the Ship *Virginia*, in *York* River, or to Mr. *Richard Brown* in *York* Town, shall have FORTY SHILLINGS Reward.

(2‖) HOWARD ESTEN.

RICHMOND, *July* 3, 1773.

AS the Partnership of *Hogg* and *Rowland* is expired, I earnestly request the Favour of all those indebted to the same to settle their Accounts immediately with me, either by Payment or Bond. I shall attend *Hanover* and *Goochland* Courts, and will be constantly at home the rest of my Time, for that Purpose. I give this timely Notice that I may settle the Affairs of the Partnership, and pay the Debts due therefrom, by the 1st of *October* next, at which Time I intend for *Britain*. All those who have open Accounts on the Books the 1st of *September* may be assured they will be put into an Attorney's Hands, without farther Notice, or Distinction of Persons.

ZACHARIAH ROWLAND.

To be SOLD, RENTED, *or* LEASED,

SEVERAL Tracts or Parcels of valuable LAND, in *Culpeper*, very cheap. For Terms apply to the Subscriber, near the Courthouse, in the said County. NATHANIEL PENDLETON.

To be SOLD, *at the late Dwellinghouse of Doctor* William Torborn, *deceased, in* Charles City, *on* Thursday *the 26th of* August,

ALL the personal Estate of the said *Torborn*, consisting of HORSES, CATTLE, HOGS, and SHEEP, all Kinds of HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, a Quantity of Books on Physick, and Surgeons Instruments. Six Months Credit will be allowed, on giving Bond and Security to (2‖) PETER DUN, Executor.

N. B. All Persons indebted are desired to make speedy Payment, and those who have Demands against the Estate are requested to make them known.

To be SOLD *to the highest Bidder, on* Saturday *the 24th Instant* (July)

THE DWELLINGHOUSE, and several LOTS, belonging to Mr. *Joseph Thropp*, in the Town of *Newcastle*, made over in Trust to Mr. *John Smith*, deceased; also all his HOUSEHOLD and KITCHEN FURNITURE, together with a RIDING CHAIR, a likely NEGRO Man Servant, two HORSES, and sundry other Things. Credit will be allowed for all Sums above twenty-five Shillings till the 1st of *April* next, on giving Bond and Security, to carry Interest from the Date if not punctually paid. The above mentioned Estate will certainly be sold that Day, and the Sale begin at ten o'Clock. (2) WILLIAM ANDERSON.

DANIEL GRANT,

Who lately kept TAVERN at the Sign of the BUCK, near PHILADELPHIA,

BEGS Leave to inform the Publick that he hath opened an INN and TAVERN, at the Sign of the Fountain, in that large and commodious House lately built by Mr. GOUNN, in MARKET Street, *BALTIMORE* Town, MARYLAND. He hath provided every Thing for the Accommodation of Gentlemen, their Servants, and Horses, in the best Manner; and those who choose to favour him with their Custom may be assured of his best Endeavours to merit their Approbation. He takes this Opportunity of returning his most grateful Thanks to the Gentlemen who did him the Honour to frequent his former House; and as it shall ever be his Study to please, he hopes for a Continuance of their Favours.

TEN POUNDS REWARD.

RUN away from *Providence* Forge, in *New Kent*, on the 7th Instant (*July*) two Negro Men, namely: COOPER, about thirty five Years of Age, about five Feet ten Inches high, stoops a little when he walks, shows his Teeth much when he talks, is a slim made Fellow, wears a Truss, and is clothed in an Osnabrug Shirt, and Trousers of Hempen Rolls. The other is named BEN, about five Feet eight Inches high, about the same Age of the other, well made, of a grave Countenance, and clothed as the other. They both had Shoes, one Pair of which has the Soals thick set with Hobnails. They formerly belonged to Colonel *Benjamin Grymes* of *Fredericksburg*, where it is expected they are gone. Whoever delivers them to Mr. *William Douglas*, at the said Works, shall have THREE POUNDS Reward for each, and FIVE POUNDS for either if taken at a greater Distance than twenty Miles, with a reasonable Allowance for conveying them to the Forge.

We also offer a Reward of THIRTY SHILLINGS each for apprehending and conveying to the said Forge two other Runaway Negroes, namely: GUY, about fifty Years of Age, about five Feet ten Inches high, had on a blue Jacket, and Osnabrug Shirt and Trousers of Hempen Rolls. He formerly belonged to Captain *Thomas Dixon*, near *Hampton*, and is supposed to be lurking about *Williamsburg*, or gone down to his former Master's Neighbourhood. The other, named JOE, is about thirty five Years of Age, five Feet ten Inches high, well made, and belongs to Mr. *Julius Allen* of *James City*, in whose Neighbourhood it is expected he is lurking. (tf) JORDANE & HOLT.

SEVENTY Thousand Weight of TRANSFER TOBACCO to be SOLD, for ready Money, at *Southampton* Courthouse, on *Thursday* the 12th of *August*, being Court Day, by the Churchwardens and Sheriff. (‖)

For SALE, *in the Town of* Newcastle,

THREE LOTS on the main Street, whereon is a large and commodious Dwellinghouse, Kitchen, Dairy, and Smokehouse, a Garden newly paled in, and every other Convenience for a Family. The Whole is in very good Order, and will be sold at the *October* HANOVER Court. In the mean Time, we would treat privately with any Person that wants to purchase.

SAMUEL PEARSON.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
CHARLES TINSLEY.

RUN away from the Subscriber, on the 1st of *April* last, a Mulatto Slave named DAVID, about twenty two Years of Age, five Feet eight or nine Inches high, a cunning artful Fellow, with a sly Look, slim made, a little knock-kneed, has small Legs, says he is of the *Indian* Breed, and went down to the General Court, as I imagined, to sue for his Freedom, but has never returned. Whoever brings him to me in *Dinwiddie*, about twenty Miles from *Petersburg*, shall have THREE POUNDS TEN SHILLINGS Reward, or THIRTY SHILLINGS if secured in Jail, and Notice given me thereof.

WILLIAM CUSZENS.

STRAYED, or STOLEN, from the Subscriber, at *Cabin Point*, a DARK BAY HORSE about four Feet five or six Inches high, with a Star in his Forehead, a hanging Mane and long Bob Tail, is a little Cat-hamm'd, and I believe has a Brand, but it cannot be described. He was raised by *James Wortham*, deceased, in *Brunswick*, near *Eaton's* Ferry. Whoever brings him to me shall have FORTY SHILLINGS Reward. (tf) ARCHIBALD DUNLOP.

NORFOLK, *July* 4, 1773.

THE Subscribers intending to send a VESSEL to *Madeira*, will be much obliged to any Gentlemen for their Orders for Wine.

MATTHEW PHRIPP.
THOMAS NEWTON.

TO BE SOLD,

AT AUGUST *SUSSEX* COURT NEXT,
ABOUT FIFTY THOUSAND WEIGHT OF
TRANSFER TOBACCO,
FOR READY MONEY,
FOR THE BENEFIT OF *SUSSEX* COUNTY,
AND *ALBEMARLE* PARISH.

WHEREAS many of the Gentlemen who purchased Negroes of the Subscribers last Summer have hitherto made but very partial Payments, this is therefore to inform all those who are still indebted to us, that, unless they are punctual in discharging their Bonds and Notes at the ensuing Meeting of the Merchants, in *Williamsburg*, the same will be put in Suit immediately after, without any farther Notice, or Respect of Persons.

(5) JOHN LAWRENCE, WILLIAM CALL, & Co.

POETS CORNER.

The RETROSPECT *of* LIFE.

RICHES, Chance may take or give;
Beauty lives a Day, and dies;
Honour lulls us while we live;
Mirth's a Cheat, and Pleasure flies.
Is there nothing worth our Care?
(Time, and Chance, and Death, our Foes)
If our Joys so fleeting are,
Are we only ty'd to Woes?
Let bright Virtue answer, No;
Her eternal Powers prevail,
When Honours, Riches, cease to flow,
And Beauty, Mirth, and Pleasure, fail.

WILLIAMSBURG, *July* 8, 1773.

BRICKLAYERS or PLAISTERERS

May have good Encouragement,
For the remaining Part of the Season, by applying to
SAMUEL SPURR.

TO BE SOLD,

And may be entered on immediately,

A VALUABLE Tract of LAND in *Brunswick*, containing about 1000 Acres, of which about 100 Acres are cleared. On the Plantation is an exceeding good Dwellinghouse, underpinned with Brick, with three Brick Chimnies, a Kitchen with a Brick Chimney, and all other Outhouses necessary for a Family and Cropping, all new built; also a very fine Apple and Peach Orchard. The Land lies within twelve Miles of *Hicks*'s Ford, and joins the Road to *Eaton*'s Ferry. A good Title will be made the Purchaser, and the Terms may be known by applying to the Subscriber, at *Cabin Point*. (tf) ADAM FLEMING.

WILLIAMSBURG, *July* 8, 1773.

LOST, between Mr. *William Norvel*'s and this Town, the lower Part of a GERMAN FLUTE, with a Silver Key to it. Whoever brings it to me shall have TEN SHILLINGS Reward. (2) ANTHONY SINGLETON.

SWAN's POINT, *July* 7, 1773.

RUN away from the Subscriber, on *Monday* the 21st of last Month, a likely *Virginia* born Negro named STOBO, about twenty seven Years old, five Feet ten or eleven Inches high, well made, very active, and has a large Scar near his left Elbow. He ran off to avoid an Examination of Hog-stealing, and was only clothed in an Osnaburg Shirt, white *Russia* Drill Breeches, and a Felt Hat bound with black Ferret. He was chiefly employed as a Ferryman at this Place, and may attempt to get on Board a Vessel to make a farther Escape. It is most probable he may be harboured in *James City*, *Hog Island*, *Cabin Point*, or *Merchants Hope*, where he is well acquainted. If he is taken within twenty Miles, and brought to me, I will give FOUR DOLLARS Reward, SIX DOLLARS if between twenty and thirty Miles Distance, TEN DOLLARS if between thirty and fifty, and in Proportion for any greater Distance. If he is committed to any Jail in the Colony, the above Reward shall be paid in Proportion to the Distance, together with all reasonable travelling Expenses, and what is allowed by Law.——He is outlawed. (2‖) THOMAS FENNER.

STOLEN from the Subscriber, on *Saturday* the 1st of *May* last, out of Mr. *John Thweatt*'s Pasture, in *Prince George*, a dark bay HORSE about four Feet seven Inches high, ten Years old this Spring, has a thick Mane and Tail, paces, trots, and gallops, and branded on the near Buttock with a Heart, and a long Stroke near it (which happened by a Scald, and has some white Hairs in it. Whoever delivers him to Mr. *William Parsons* in *Prince George*, or to me in *Norfolk*, shall be well rewarded. JAMES NICHOLAS PARSONS.

WILLIAMSBURG, *July* 8, 1773.

COMMITTED to the publick Jail, from *Prince Edward*, a Negro Fellow named TOM, who either knows not or will not tell to whom he belongs. As there is Reason to believe he has got the Clothes on in which he made his Elopement, a Description of them is unnecessary. He is about five Feet eight Inches high, appears to be about twenty five Years of Age, of a pretty dark Complexion, with a Scar deeply impressed in his Forehead resembling a Hook, and, being a new Negro, cannot speak to be understood. The Owner is desired to pay Charges, and take him away. (2) PETER PELHAM.

COMMITTED to *Isle of Wight* Jail, a Negro Boy who calls himself BILLY WICKETT, and says he belongs to *David Copeland* of *Cumberland*. The Owner is desired to prove his Property, and pay Charges to JOHN TAYLOR, Jailer.

TAKEN up, in *Prince Edward*, a bay MARE about four or five Years old, four Feet six or seven Inches high, with a small Star in her Forehead, and branded on the near Buttock O. Posted, and appraised to six Pounds. (‖) JAMES SCOTT.

TAKEN up, in *Augusta*, a small bay roan MARE and COLT; the Mare is about five or six Years old, a natural Pacer, blind of the right Eye, and branded on the left Shoulder TB; the Colt is about nine Months old. Posted, and appraised to six Pounds ten Shillings. (‖) GARRETT GREEN.

TAKEN up, in *Orange*, a dark bay MARE about six or seven Years old, four Feet four or five Inches high, but no Brand perceivable; with a bay COLT about two Years old, with a Star in his Forehead, and a Snip on his Nose, neither dockt nor branded. Posted, and appraised, the Mare to three Pounds, and the Colt to five Pounds. (‖) JOHN BICKERS.

TAKEN up, in *Henrico*, a large black and white STEER, marked with a Crop and Underkeel in the right Ear, and branded on the left Horn I. Posted, and appraised to fifty five Shillings. (‖) WILLIAM PERKINS.

Just IMPORTED *from* London, *in the* VIRGINIA, *Captain* ESTEN, *by* ALEXANDER G. STRACHAN *and Company, and to be* SOLD *reasonably, at their Shop in* Petersburg,

A FRESH Assortment of DRUGS and MEDICINES, chymical and galenical. Also white and brown Sugar Candy, Barley Sugar, Orange Chips, Caraway Comfits, Almonds, Jar Raisins, Figs, Tamarinds, Anchovies, Olives, Capers, *Canary*, Mountain, and *Rhenish* Wines, *Bateman*'s Pectoral Drops, *Anderson*'s and *Lockyer*'s Pills, *Squire*'s Grand Elixir, *Turlington*'s Balsam, *British* Rock Oil, *Greenough*'s Tincture for the Teeth and Gums, *James*'s Fever Powders, Jesuits Drops, *Hill*'s Pectoral Balsam of Honey, *Norris*'s Antimonial Drops, *Hungary* Water, *Hardham*'s Snuff, No. 9, Tooth and Flesh Brushes, Ivory Black, Rotten Stone, Wash Balls, Arsenick, Aquafortis, Aqua Regia, Borax, Roch Alum, Alkanet, Antimony, Brimstone, Verdigrise, white and blue Vitriol, *French* and Pearl Barley, Isinglass, Hartshorn Shavings, Sago, Vermicelli, Salop, Gold and Silver Leaf, Marble Mortars, Bolus Knives, Steels, Pewter and Ivory Syringes, Female Ditto, cut Smelling Bottles, Ditto in Cases, Ladies Sticking Plaister, red and white Sheepskins, Nipple Glasses, Breast Pipes, Ivory and Box Clyster Pipes, Tow, Lint, Vials, Gallipots, Pill Boxes, Spirits of Turpentine, best Florence Oil, Black Lead Pots, Crucibles, *&c. &c.*

N. B. Orders to the above Shop will be despatched with all convenient Expedition, by JAMES M'CARTY, Apothecary and Surgeon.

Where may may be had small Chests of Medicines, with Directions proper for Families, *&c.*

SUSSEX, *June* 23, 1773.

THE Subscriber intending to leave this Colony about the first of *September* next, for a few Months, and being desirous of adjusting all his Affairs before his Departure, so as to admit of no Dispute, either with Debtor or Creditor, earnestly entreats all who have any Demands against him, by Bond or otherwise, to make Application, and they shall be paid in Money or Bonds; but if it is not agreeable to a Creditor to settle in that Way, they shall have Bond, with undoubted Security, either personal or otherwise, to pay any Balance that may remain unpaid in a few Months. He likewise hopes that all those indebted to him will be kind enough to apply and discharge their respective Balances, or give Bond, *&c.* payable in a short Time, which will better enable him fully to discharge his Engagements, being determined so to do between this and *April* next. I shall depute Mr. *Daniel Fisher*, and Mr. *James Mason*, of *Brunswick*, and Mr. *John Cargill* of *Sussex*, to transact my Business during my Absence. DAVID MASON.

NORFOLK, *June* 29, 1773.

AS I intend for *Great Britain* soon, and to return in a few Months, all Persons indebted to me, or to the late Concern of *Archibald White* and Company, or to the Estate of *Archibald White*, deceased, are desired to make Payment before or at the Meeting of the Merchants next Month, after which Time no Indulgence will be given, but all Bonds, Accounts, *&c.* will be put into the Hands of an Attorney, with Orders to commence Suits immediately, without Respect of Persons. Any Matters relative to the Concern of *Archibald White* and Company will be transacted in my Absence by *Anthony Walke*, Esquire, of *Princess Anne*; and such of my own Affairs as may remain unsettled at my Departure will be managed by Messr. *Eilbeck*, *Ross*, and Company, of this Place, whom I have properly empowered so to do. Such as have Claims against me are desired to make them known, without Loss of Time, in Order that they may be adjusted.

JOHN MACLEAN.

NORFOLK, *June* 28, 1773.

THE Subscriber being now set up in Business on his own Account, makes and sells all Kinds of BOOTS and SHOES, finished in the neatest Manner, with as good Materials as can be procured in *Britain*, and charged at the lowest Rates. He solicits the Favour of the Publick, and of his former Customers, assuring them of his utmost Attention and Care to deserve a Continuance of their Custom. His Shop is on the Parade, next Door to that of Captain *Phripp*, Senior. WILLIAM FORSYTH.

THE Person who is in Possession of the HALF ACRE LOT No. 171, in the Town of *Manchester*, laid off from the Lands of the Honourable *William Byrd*, in *Chesterfield*, may hear of a Purchaser by applying to the Printer.

THE Ship BETSEY, Burthen 460 Hogsheads, lately built at *Norfolk*, will be at *Bermuda* Hundred in a few Days, to take in Tobacco on Liberty of Consignment to any Merchant in *London* at eight Pounds a Tun Freight. Any Persons inclinable to ship are desired to send their Orders to me, the Master on Board, or at the neighbouring County Courts, where I shall attend. The Ship will be ready to sail the Beginning of *September*, at farthest.

WILLIAM POWER.

FOR SALE,

A MULATTO BOY between seventeen and eighteen Years of Age, who is a very valuable Servant, having been brought up from his Infancy to House Work; he is an excellent Waiter, can dress Hair and Wigs, and has been used to travel with his Master. He is healthy, sober, and honest, and sold for no Fault. For Terms inquire of the Printer.

BUTE County, North Carolina, *June* 14, 1773.

AS I intend to move into *Virginia*, I will sell the following Tracts of LAND in this County, namely: The Tract and Plantation whereon I now live, containing about 1600 Acres, lying on *Sandy* Creek, about six Miles from the Courthouse, two and a Half from Church, and a Hundred from *Petersburg*, with a very bold and constant Stream of Water running through it, on which the Purchaser will find it very convenient to erect a Mill; about 300 Acres of the Land are cleared, mostly fresh, and in good Order for Cropping in Corn and Tobacco with twenty five Hands, as there are now in Tendance on it about three Hundred and thirty Thousand Tobacco Hills, with a great Plenty of House Room for laying up the same, besides what is in Corn, Wheat, *&c.* Also a Tract of about 500 Acres about six Miles from the above, whereon is a small fresh cleared Plantation, with about eight Thousand Corn Hills, and twenty five Thousand Tobacco Hills. Two Hundred Acres on *Shocko*, about six Miles from *Bute* Courthouse, with about fifty Thousand Corn Hills and sixty Thousand Tobacco Hills in Tendance, which is all the cleared Land upon it. About 600 Acres within two Miles of the aforesaid Courthouse, good for raising Grain and Stock, but has no Improvements on it. Also about 700 Acres within six Miles of the Courthouse, good for raising Grain and Stock, with about twenty Thousand Corn Hills cleared thereon. About 500 Acres on *Hub Quarter* Creek, within three Miles of Colonel *Eaton*'s, with a fresh cleared Plantation of about forty Thousand Corn Hills, and thirty Thousand Tobacco Hills, which is all the cleared Land on this Tract. On the first mentioned Tract two and three Thousand Weight of Tobacco per Hand has been generally made. I will take sixteen Hundred Pounds *Virginia* Currency for the first named Tract; one Half the Purchase Money to be paid down on giving Possession, which may be any Time this Fall or Winter ensuing, and for the other Half I will take two Hundred Pounds a Year till paid. For farther Particulars, of the other Tracts, inquire of the Subscriber. WILLIAM TABB.

N. B. I will take Negroes in Part, or all, of the first Payment for the first mentioned Tract, and will sell Stocks of CATTLE, SHEEP, CORN, *&c.*

To be SOLD *to the highest Bidder, on* Thursday *the 26th of* August, *if fair, otherwise next fair Day,*

A VERY valuable Tract of LAND on *James* River, in *Amherst* County, a few Miles below Doctor *William Cabell*'s, containing about six Hundred Acres of high and low Grounds, running above a Mile on the River. It is about Half the Tract on which *John Howard* formerly lived, including the Dwellinghouse, *&c.* and a beautiful Situation to live on, with cleared low Grounds sufficient for a good Plantation, a remarkable natural Fish Pond, and a Fishery for white Shads. The Place is suitable for Wheat, as well as for Tobacco or Hemp. At the same Time will be sold, if a suitable Price should be offered, an Island adjacent, and the remaining Part of the afore mentioned Tract of Land, either separate or altogether. Part of the Purchase Money will be wanted at the Day of Sale, on the Premises, or in *October* next at farthest, and the Remainder will be made easy to the Buyer, by sundry Payments, as shall be then agreed on.

THOMAS PROSSER,
NEIL CAMPBELL,
WILLIAM PRESTON, } Trustees.

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N. B. An undoubted Title, in Fee Simple, will be made by the Trustees, and, if required, I also myself will join in the Conveyance.

JOHN HOWARD.

To be SOLD, *either by publick or private Sale, on* Thursday *the 15th of* JULY, *being* Norfolk *County Court Day,*

A TRACT of LAND, containing 550 Acres, lying on the Head of *Old Mill* Creek, in the aforesaid County, well timbered with White Oak and old Pine, and joins a Juniper Swamp about two Miles from a Landing. Also a Piece of LAND, 50 Acres, more or less, on the south Branch of the said County, about two Miles from *Norfolk*, convenient to Fish and Oysters, with a small Apple Orchard and Dwellinghouse thereon. Any Person inclinable to purchase may know the Terms, and see the Lands, by applying to the Subscribers, in *Norfolk* Borough.

PETER SPARROW, Senior,
(‖) PETER SPARROW, Junior,

COMMITTED to *Suffex* Jail, on the 13th of *May* last, a *Virginia* born Negro Man who says he belongs to Mr. *Hugh Huson* of *Fredericksburg*, and that his Name is PHIL; he is about five Feet seven or eight Inches high, about thirty Years old, very black, and has on the usual Clothing for labouring Negroes, except a white Hat. The said Fellow was advertised before, but at that Time he would neither tell his Master's Name nor his own. The Owner is desired to pay Charges and take him away.

(‖) JOHN BERRYMAN, Jailer.

TAKEN up, in *Caroline*, a small black HORSE, branded on the near Buttock I, trots, and has had a very sore Back. Posted, and appraised to fifty Shillings. WILLIAM JETER.

TAKEN up, in *Amherst*, a dark bay HORSE about four Feet seven or eight Inches high, one hind Foot white, has some Saddle Spots, some white Hairs in his Forehead, and branded on the near Shoulder and Buttock Æ. Posted, and appraised to ten Pounds.

(‖) JAMES GATEWOOD.

TAKEN up, in *Pittsylvania*, a black MARE about four Feet five Inches high, two or three Years old, undocked, her off hind Foot white, paces naturally, and branded on the near Shoulder and Buttock B. Posted, and appraised to eight Pounds.

(‖) JEHU MORTON.

TAKEN up, in *Pittsylvania*, a bright bay MARE about four Feet four or five Inches high, and branded on the near Shoulder and Buttock, but not legible enough to be described; she has on a large Bell with a Patch and several Cracks in it, and the Collar is in two Pieces. Posted, and appraised to six Pounds, (‖) JOHN WAREN.

HANOVER, *June* 17, 1773.

THE Subscriber intends to leave the Colony very soon, and desires that all Persons who have Demands against him will apply for Payment before the 1st of *August* next. The Concerns, in this Colony, of Messr. *Farell* and *Jones* of *Bristol*, Merchants, will be left under the Direction of Mr. *John Winston*, Merchant in *Hanover*; to whom all Persons indebted to the said Gentlemen, and who have declined their Correspondence with them, are desired to pay their respective Balances. It is hoped no one will compel him to the Necessity of pursuing disagreeable Methods to enforce Payment, after the great Indulgence that has been already given.

(6) THOMAS EVANS.

TO BE SOLD,

A VALUABLE Tract of LAND, containing 1800 Acres, lying on *Swift* Creek, in *Chesterfield* County, very convenient to Trade, not exceeding five Miles from *Petersburg* or *Osborne*'s Warehouses, and with a very little Expense a good Mill may be erected on it. I will sell it altogether, or in Parcels, as may best suit the Purchasers. The Terms may be known by applying to me, in *Chesterfield*.

(6) JOHN RANDOLPH.

N. B. Any Person inclinable to purchase may see the Land by applying to me, or to my Brother, *P. Randolph*, in the said County.

For SALE, *or to be* LEASED *for a* TERM *of* YEARS,

A LOT in the Town of *Newcastle*, conveniently situated on the main Street, whereon is a large commodious Storehouse thirty six Feet by twenty six, a Granary fifty Feet by thirty two, a Stable, Chair House, *&c.* and the whole in very good Order. For Terms inquire of

(tf) SAMUEL PEARSON.

WANTS EMPLOYMENT,

A YOUNG Man who has been brought up in a Store, understands Book-keeping, is capable of taking Charge of a Store, *&c.* and can be well recommended. Apply to the Printers. (tf)

FIVE POUNDS REWARD.

RUN away from the Subscriber, in *Charles City*, last *March* was a Twelvemonth, a very light Mulatto Fellow named JESSE, about eighteen Years of Age, five Feet eight or nine Inches high, his Hair is long, and usually tied, has lost some of his fore Teeth, and I expect he will endeavour to pass for a Freeman. Whoever brings him to me, or secures him so that I may get him, shall have the above Reward.

(6‖) CHARLES CHRISTIAN.

YORK Town, *June* 9, 1773.

THE Subscribers being very solicitous to comply with the Will of their Testator, the late Honourable *William Nelson*, desire that all Persons who were indebted to him will endeavour to make as speedy Payments as possible. Those who have Accounts open on his Books, and who cannot immediately discharge the Balances, are desired to give their Bonds. This Request is the more necessary, as most of the Legacies bequeathed by the Testator are to be paid in Sterling Money, and he has directed that his younger Sons Fortunes shall be placed out at Interest upon undoubted Securities, so soon as it can be done. Those who have any Demands are desired to make them immediately known.

THOMAS NELSON.
THOMAS NELSON, Junior.
(tf) HUGH NELSON.
RO. C. NICHOLAS.

SUFFOLK, *May* 26, 1773.

WHEREAS, by the Death of Mr. *Josiah Granbery*, the Partnership of *Gibson*, *Granbery*, and Company, is dissolved, it is therefore requested that all Persons indebted to that Concern do settle their Accounts, without Loss of Time, either by paying them or giving Bonds for their respective Balances, in Order that the Books may be closed. The Business is now continued under the Firm of *James Gibson* and Company, and Orders complied with in the same Manner as heretofore.

All Persons who have any Demands against the said Concern, or the Estate of *Josiah Granbery*, deceased, are desired to give in their Claims, that they may receive Payment. (6)

TO BE SOLD,

ABOUT fourteen Thousand Acres of exceeding good LAND in the County of *Pittsylvania*. For Terms apply to Mr. *Hugh Rose* of *Amherst*, who will treat with any Person inclinable to purchase, and be empowered to make a legal Title.

CAROLINE, *May* 7, 1773. (tf) THOMAS LOMAX.

TO BE SOLD,

A VALUABLE Tract of LAND, containing about sixteen Hundred Acres, more or less, lying on the River *Shenando*, in *Berkley* County (formerly *Frederick*) which is one of the most flourishing Counties in *Virginia*. The Land is exceeding good, well timbered, and adapted to the raising of all Kinds of Grain, as well as Tobacco, and has the Advantage of a very fine Stream of Water, on which is a Blomery with two Fires, a good Stone Merchant Mill with two Pair of Stones, a Saw Mill, a Distillery conveniently situated, a Smith's Shop, a Cooper's Shop, and many other Outhouses. There are about a Hundred and fifty Acres of Land cleared, and about fifty Acres of Meadow may be made with a very small Expense, one Half of which may be watered any Day in the Year. A Stock of Cattle, Horses, and Hogs, some Household Furniture, and all Kinds of Utensils proper for carrying on the above different Branches of Business, will be sold with or without the Land. For farther Particulars inquire of Mr. *William Little*, on the Premises. Credit will be allowed for Part of the Purchase Money, the Purchaser giving Bond, with Security if required. For Terms apply to the Honourable *George William Fairfax*, Esquire, *Carlyle* and *Dalton* in *Alexandria*, or *Preston Bowdoin* in *Norfolk*. (Tf)

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